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Privacy Act of 1974 Matching Program

AGENCY: U.S. Small Business Administration, Office of Disaster Assistance

ACTION: Notice of a New Matching Program.

SUMMARY: Department of Homeland Security/Federal Emergency Management Agency
(DHS/FEMA) and Small Business Administration (SBA) may not provide duplicative disaster
assistance to individuals, businesses, including Private-Not-for Profits (PNPs), or other entities
for the same disaster or emergency losses. To accomplish this, DHS/FEMA and SBA will
participate in a Computer Matching program to share data and financial/benefits award decisions
of individuals, businesses, and/or other entities to verify eligibility for benefits, prevent
duplicative aid from being provided in response to the same disaster or emergency and recover
aid when duplication of benefits is identified.

DATES: [Submit comments on or before [INSERT DATE: 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF
PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER] This new matching agreement will be
effective upon publication and expires 18 months from the date of publication.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Agreement between SBA and DHS/FEMA is
expected to aid in the reduction of Duplications of Benefits (DOB) payments to survivors of
major disaster declarations. This will be accomplished by matching specific FEMA disaster
applicant data with SBA disaster loan application and decision data for a declared disaster, as set

forth in the Agreement. Since FY 2015 the use of the Agreement has identified 521,873 instances where the same disaster survivor submitted applications to, both agencies, a yearly average of 86,978. Prior to the use of this computer match, SBA loan officers used stand-alone Personal Computers to access FEMA's computer system, National Emergency Management Information System-Individual Assistance (NEMIS-IA) and matched records manually. SBA and DHS/FEMA are dual source and recipient agencies in this matching program.

PARTICIPATING AGENCIES: U.S. Department of Homeland Security/ Federal Emergency Management Agency and U.S. Small Business Administration.

AUTHORITY FOR CONDUCTING THE MATCHING PROGRAM: Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act (Pub. L. 93-288), as amended at 42 U.S.C. § 5121 et seq,

The Debt Collection Improvement Act of 1996, 31 U.S.C. 3325(d) and 7701(c)(1).

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eligibility for benefits, prevent duplicative aid from being provided in response to the same disaster or emergency and recover aid when duplication of benefits is identified.

CATEGORIES OF INDIVIDUALS: Disaster survivor applicants: individuals, homeowners, renters, businesses, including sole proprietors, Venue operators, and other entities to include Private-Not-for-Profits. All individuals who apply for or express interest in applying for FEMA disaster assistance following a Presidentially declared major disaster or emergency with specific criteria.

CATEGORIES OF RECORDS: Information relating to pre-application registrants, disaster home and business loan applicants, loan advance and grant applicants and recipients of loan advances and grants, disaster home and business loans. Included are Loan, loan advance, and grant applications, supporting documents, personal history, financial statements, credit

information, investigative reports, appraisers' reports, waivers, loan record transfers, correspondence, recommendations, authorizations, disbursement amount, term and rate, payment history, collateral, UCC filings and re-filings, collection and liquidation activities, financial statements, settlements and compromises, bank information, field visit reports, borrower's insurance information and loan accounting information.

Specific data elements to match are: name, tax identification number/social security number, product (home/business), damaged dwelling address, application data, loss to personal property data, loss mitigation data, SBA loan data, and SBA event date, FEMA Registration ID number, FEMA Disaster ID number, and date of birth, telephone number, damaged property data, insurance policy information, contact address if different from damaged dwelling address, flood zone, flood insurance data, and grant amounts.

SYSTEM(S) OF RECORDS: SBA- 20 Disaster Loan Case File, 74 FR 14911 (April 1, 2009) system of records, as amended. Department of Homeland Security (DHS)/Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)–008, 78 FR 83 (April 30, 2013) system of records as amended.

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